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ON LEGAL STATUS OF ECONOMIC ZONE AND NEGOTIATING GROUP I OF  
C-II (RIGHTS OF COASTAL AND OTHER STATES IN ZONE), 19  
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1. SMALL CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON LEGAL STATUS OF ECONOMIC  
ZONE MET FOR FIRST TIME IN AFTERNOON. MOST OF MEETING CON-  
FINED TO REITERATIONS OF OFT-STATED POSITIONS ON BOTH SIDES,  
WITH BUT TWO SIGNIFICANT STATEMENTS. FIRST, CANADA PRO-  
POSED TAKING ANOTHER LOOK AT THE EVENSEN TEXT, WITH EMPHASIS  
ON RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ARTICLE 46-2 AND 75 OF THE RSNT,  
SUGGESTING THAT THE HIGH SEAS REGIME APPLY TO THE ZONE  
WHERE NOT INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE COASTAL STATE'S RIGHTS IN  
THE ZONE. UK AND TUNISIA SUPPORTED THE SUGGESTION THAT THE  
GROUP FORCUS ON THE EVENSEN TEXT, WITH TUNISIA OTHERWISE  
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FOLLOWING STRONG COASTAL STATE LINE. SECOND, SENEGAL SUGGESTED

THAT PERHAPS THE QUESTION OF THE LEGAL STATUS OF THE ZONE MIGHT BE EASIER TO DEAL WITH ONCE THE QUESTIONS OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND MARINE POLLUTION ARE RESOLVED BY THE THIRD COMMITTEE.

2. FOLLOWING THE MEETING OF THE CONSULTATIVE GROUP NEGOTIATING GROUP I HAD A SHORT MEETING TO CONTINUE THE GENERAL DEBATE OF THE QUESTION OF THE RIGHTS OF COASTAL AND OTHER (LANDLOCKED AND GEOGRAPHICALLY DIS-ADVANTAGED) STATES IN THE ZONE, WITH NOTHING NEW ADDED. THE GROUP HAS JUST ABOUT TALKED ITSELF OUT, AND CHAIRMAN IS EXPECTED TO SHORTLY FORM, IN ITS TURN, A SMALLER CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON THE SUBJECT-MATTER.  
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